

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY  
Washington, D. C.

October 30, 1968

The University Senate

The University Senate will meet on Friday, November 8, 1968, at 2:10 p.m., on the sixth floor of the Library.

- Agenda:
- 1) Call to order
  - 2) Minutes of previous meeting
  - 3) Announcements by Chairman of the Executive Committee
  - 4) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PRESENCE OF OBSERVERS AT MEETINGS OF THE UNIVERSITY SENATE (68/5), Committee on Student Relationships
  - 5) A PROPOSED RESOLUTION ON FACULTY PARTICIPATION IN ARCHITECTURAL DECISIONS (68/6), Library Committee
  - 6) A RESOLUTION TO ENDORSE THE CREATION OF A CLUB IN THE UNIVERSITY CENTER ALONG LINES RECOMMENDED BY THE AD HOC COMMITTEE ON FACULTY FACILITIES IN THE UNIVERSITY CENTER (68/8), Ad Hoc Committee on Faculty Facilities in the University Center
  - 7) A RESOLUTION TO INITIATE NEW COMMENCEMENT PROCEDURES (68/7), Public Ceremonies Committee
  - 8) The election of two student members to the Senate Committee on Athletics
  - 9) Period for brief statements by Senate members and by visitors
  - 10) Adjournment

Frederick R. Houser  
Secretary

NOTE: Immediately preceding the meeting a social period will be held from 1:30 to 2:10 p.m., for Senate members and the staff members of the HATCHET.

Members of the Faculty Assembly who are not members of the University Senate are welcome to attend the social period.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PRESENCE OF  
OBSERVERS AT MEETINGS OF THE UNIVERSITY  
SENATE 68/5

WHEREAS there is relatively little of the business conducted at meetings of the University Senate which would be adversely affected if these meetings were open to attendance by any member of the University faculty, administration or student body;

WHEREAS students have requested the privilege of attendance at meetings of the University Senate;

WHEREAS first-hand acquaintance with the operation of the various institutions of the University could be a significant part of a student's educational experience; now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the University Senate of the George Washington University that:

Section 1, (b) of the Provisional By-Laws of the University Senate be amended by deleting the language of present Section 1, (b) and replacing it by the following statement:

- (b) Meetings of the University Senate shall be open for attendance and observation by any member of the University faculty, administrative staff or student body, except that by a majority vote the Senate may declare an "executive session" which only elected and ex officio members may attend. The privilege of attendance shall be limited to a number within the reasonable capacity, as determined by the University Senate, of the room to accommodate. The privilege of attendance may be withdrawn from anyone who does not conduct himself in accord with the regulations of the University and the rules and by-laws of the University Senate.

Student Relationships Committee  
November 8, 1968

PROPOSED RESOLUTION ON FACULTY PARTICIPATION  
IN ARCHITECTURAL DECISIONS (68/6)

WHEREAS,

This University is entering upon a building program of, hopefully, increasing intensity; and

WHEREAS,

The physical setting of an institution has a definite influence on the intellectual and emotional climate, as well as on the image formed by the outside world (whence gifts and endowments are desired); and

WHEREAS,

The area surrounding our campus is being built up with imaginative structures among which we do not wish our campus to become a dull blot;

Now, therefore,

Be it Resolved by the Senate of The George Washington University:

That the University Senate set up a mechanism (e.g., in the form of a subcommittee of the Committee on Physical Facilities, or a new separate Committee) for Faculty participation in the choice of architectural plans, with a view to eventually endowing this campus with character and harmony, not uniformity.

Library Committee  
November 8, 1968

A RESOLUTION TO INITIATE NEW COMMENCEMENT  
PROCEDURES 68/7

WHEREAS present circumstances make impossible the orderly continuance of the former practice of holding a single University Commencement in the University Yard, or in Constitution Hall in case of inclement weather, therefore

Be it Resolved by the University Senate of The George Washington University:

1. For the coming June, two separate graduation services should be held, one on Saturday afternoon in Lisner Auditorium for conferring degrees in the School of Medicine, the National Law Center, and all other doctoral programs, and the other on Sunday evening in the University Yard for conferring degrees upon all other graduates.
2. There shall be an informal reception by the President and faculties concerned immediately after each graduation ceremony.
3. There shall be a convocation of all graduates on Sunday afternoon at the National Cathedral.
4. The Committee on Public Ceremonies will take all necessary steps to implement this Resolution.

The Committee on Public Ceremonies  
November 8, 1968

*Tabled 11/8/68*

A RESOLUTION TO ENDORSE THE CREATION OF A  
CLUB IN THE UNIVERSITY CENTER ALONG LINES  
RECOMMENDED BY THE AD HOC COMMITTEE ON FAC-  
ULTY FACILITIES IN THE UNIVERSITY CENTER  
(68/8)

Be it Resolved by the University Senate of the George Washington Uni-  
versity:

That it endorses the establishment in the new Univer-  
sity Center of a club of the type and with the charac-  
teristics described in the preliminary report of the  
Ad Hoc Committee on Faculty Facilities in the Univer-  
sity Center.

Ad Hoc Committee on Faculty Facilities  
in the University Center  
November 8, 1968

October 31, 1968

TO: The University Senate

FROM: The Ad Hoc Committee on Faculty Facilities in the University Center

SUBJECT: Preliminary Report and Request for Endorsement

Since its appointment in mid-summer this Committee has been investigating the best use to be made of the one-half floor (the 3rd) of the new University Center building tentatively allotted to Faculty use. Although many of the specific details remain to be worked out, there is within the Committee a consensus on the broad outlines of the kind of club which ought to be established. These include the following:

- 1) The new club should be attractively furnished and appointed;
- 2) Food and beverage service should include: a) luncheon service five days a week, b) dinner service on as many days per week as patronage will justify, c) service for private meetings or parties of members in the small dining rooms as they may be available; d) a cocktail lounge;
- 3) The club will require a membership of sufficient size to make it self-supporting. Within a maximum number appropriate to the facilities available and the necessity to meet the financial responsibilities of the club membership will be offered to the full-time faculty, the part-time faculty, University administrators, and alumni;
- 4) Within the overall framework of the Center, operation of the club should be, as nearly as possible, autonomous and under the direction of officers and committees chosen by and responsible to the club membership

This report is submitted to inform the University community of the direction of the committee's thinking. To assure the Committee that these general ideas are not inconsistent with the wishes of the prospective membership of such a club and, as far as possible at this point to assure it that a club along these lines will receive the substantial support necessary, the Committee requests formal endorsement by the Senate of the establishment of a club of the type and with the characteristics outlined above.

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The Committee on Public Ceremonies  
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THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY  
Washington, D. C.

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE  
UNIVERSITY SENATE 10/11/68

The University Senate met at 2:10 p.m., Friday, October 11, 1968, on the sixth floor of the Library. Vice President Bright presided in the absence of President Elliott.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as distributed.

Professor Reuben E. Wood, Chairman of the Executive Committee, announced that fifteen students had been invited to attend today's meeting of the Senate.

Professor Wood spoke briefly of his attendance at a meeting of the Ad Hoc Student Committee the evening before, and a meeting of the Student Council on Wednesday night. On Tuesday he and Professor Zuchelli - representing the Senate - had met with President Elliott and a number of students for 2½ hours in the President's office. At this meeting the students expressed their wish to be allowed to observe Senate meetings, as some of them seemed to feel that nefarious schemes were being hatched in secret at Senate meetings. Professor Wood stated that he had furnished a group of students with the names of Senate members, and suggested the proper action for them would be to lobby with the members for this permission.

In reporting upon activities of the Senate and the Executive Committee during the summer, Professor Wood mentioned:

1. The appointment of an ad hoc committee, chaired by Professor David B. Weaver, on "Faculty" Facilities in the new University Center, composed of members of the faculty, wives of faculty members, alumni, and other interested persons;
2. Appointment of a special committee on University and Urban Affairs, Professor Robert G. Jones, Chairman;
3. The nomination of the following faculty members to the committees indicated:

Student Life Committee

John A. Morgan, Chairman  
Frank D. Allan  
Charles R. Naeser  
Hugh L. LeBlanc  
Carl O. McDaniels  
Herbert E. Smith  
Glen E. Weston

Hearing Committee on Student Affairs

Richard Allen, Chairman  
N. K. Khatcheressian  
C. C. Mondale  
Peter H. Sawitz  
Stefan Schiff  
W. G. Tompkins

Nominations were also made of faculty members (yet to be announced) to the Student Publications Committee;

4. That the Executive Committee considered and made recommendations concerning questions raised in the matter of the Tuition Grant Program for disadvantaged students in the D. C. area;
5. That the chairman had participated in the implementation of



Senate Resolution 67/11, concerning revision of the academic calendar;

6. That the Chairman had met, by invitation, with colleagues at the Federal City College;

7. That the Executive Committee, acting for the Senate had elected Miss Gayle Clapp to the Committee on Administrative Matters, and Professor Howard M. Sachar to the Committee on Faculty Performance & Development.

As provided by Item 4 of the agenda, Mr. James Knicely, President of Student Government, addressed the Senate. Before presenting his speech, Mr. Knicely complimented the Senate in its choice of Professor Wood as a representative to the students. The text of Mr. Knicely's speech "The Basis of Community is Communication," is appended to these minutes.

To allow Professor Weaver to attend a meeting of the Law School, Item 6 a Report from the Senate Ad Hoc Committee on "Faculty" Facilities in the University Center, was presented as the next matter of business. Professor Weaver pointed out that the Club had been planned by the University for a number of years, and last June, under the auspices of the Senate, a committee had been formed to include a broader section of the possible users of the facilities than any of the other committees had included. He reported that the Committee had met twice during the summer to determine what had been discussed concerning the present plans, and that Messrs. Cantini, Einbinder, and Roudabush had furnished information which had proved helpful in presenting the tentative concept of the Club reflected in the present planning. A variety of questions were raised concerning aspects of the planning already done.

Professor Weaver reported strong sentiment for a club in which the University community would take pride, would join, and would use. At its meeting on July 30, 1968, the Committee was broken down into four sub-committees: Food & Beverage Service, University Relations, Physical Facilities & Program, and Promotion & Membership. On Monday, October 28, a meeting of the Committee is to be held to consider reports from one or more of the sub-committees.

Dr. Alpert, Co-Chairman of the Sub-Committee on Food & Beverage Service, announced the receipt of a letter from the President of the General Alumni Association "endorsing the earlier proposal of the special alumni committee which studied this subject."

Professor Robert G. Jones, Chairman, presented the Interim Report of the Special Senate Committee on University & Urban Affairs. The membership of the Committee is:

R. G. Jones, Chairman

L. H. Mayo

J. Intermaggio

J. B. Levy

R. W. Stephens

P. S. Shane

R. C. Nash

T. Ireland

M. N. Rashid

H. Stevens


M. L. Meltzer

Professor St. Cyr, Chairman of the Committee on Scholarships, placed before the Senate A RESOLUTION TO EXTEND TO FOREIGN STUDENTS ELIGIBILITY FOR BOARD OF TRUSTEES SCHOLARSHIPS 68/4, and moved its adoption, seconded by Professor Stevens. Considerable discussion to the question followed. After considering a series of amendments, chiefly those proposed by Mr. W. A. R. Walker, Advisor to International Students, and moved by Professor R. G. Jones, amended Resolution 68/4 was passed in the following form:

The Board of Trustees Scholarships be made available to full-time undergraduate foreign students on the basis of the student's scholastic record and financial need. In order to be eligible to receive financial aid, foreign applicants for these scholarships must have completed at this University at least one semester of full-time work. The applicant must have a minimum of a 3.00 over-all QPI. These awards are to be inaugurated on a three-year trial period.

During the period provided for brief statements by Senate members and by visitors, Professor Boswell, Chairman of the Committee on Public Ceremonies spoke of the reasoning behind the proposals set forth in the Interim Report of the Committee - to provide a somewhat more impressive ceremony for graduates and their parents than have been provided in the past. A copy of this Report has been mailed to the full time faculty. He invited all interested members of the faculty to attend an open meeting of the Committee to be held on October 23, at 3:00 p.m., in Government Hall. Professor Boswell also welcomed any suggestions in writing to be directed to him or to Dean Latimer, the University Marshal.

After further brief comments by members of the Senate and student guests, the meeting was adjourned at 3:58 p.m.

  
Frederick R. Houser  
Secretary

# THE BASIS OF COMMUNITY IS COMMUNICATION

## BY Jim Knicely

"An educational institution should be a community. A community must have a common aim, and the aim of an educational community is the truth. It is not necessary that the members of the educational community agree with one another. It is necessary that they communicate with one another, for the basis of community is communication." Those words from Robert Hutchins spell out to me what should be and what is not at George Washington University, and that is community. Students at this University have community with the administration; they do not with the faculty, except in the limited sense of the classroom experience where the authoritarian nature of the classroom and the grade inhibit true community.

We are told by President Elliott to resort to the power of reason where the strength of the argument will win out. And then we encounter the countless examples of an irrational institution like yesterday when Dr. Robert Hamilton Moore questioned the capabilities of students at this university. He did say that he felt the student now was better because he at least had humility.

We are told to use the power of reason and then we encounter irrationality like Tuesday when our School of Government and Business Administration representative made an appointment with Dean Dockeray. He was met by Dean Dockeray and three other gentlemen who started the conversation out with: First let's get it straight, you are not representative of SGBA because only 90 people voted in that election. I don't need to point out to this body that only a small percentage of faculty members vote in faculty elections. How can we accomplish anything if you refuse to recognize elected representatives?

We are told by the Columbia Cox Commission that "the survival--literally the survival--of the free university depends upon the entire community's active rejection of disruptive demonstrations. . . This vital decision rests with the liberal and reform-minded students. They can save or destroy the institution." And yet how can we reject these tactics when we see nothing being done by "working through channels?"

The Cox Commission tells us that the rejection of disruptive means depends "upon organization of the scholarly community in ways that produce both loyalty and the relief of grievances. The government of a university depends, even more than that of a political community, upon the consent of all the governed to accept decisions reached by its constitutional process. The consent of the dissenters depends partly upon their knowing that their views effectively entered into the process of consensus, even though they did not prevail." The administration at this University has recognized this principle and for that I am grateful--the faculty has not.

The basis of community is communication--and yet how many of you have attended meetings like those of the Ad Hoc Student Committee? How many of you know of last week first hand instead of reading it in the Hatchet? How many of you actually have made an effort to understand the events of last week outside of the easy generalization of "a small group of destructive students?" When was the last time you strengthened your links of communication with the student body?

I have more contact with the faculty than perhaps any student in this school--and even that does not prevent me from making an irrational judgement that the faculty of this school is not outstanding--in fact next to facilities,

it is the institution's second major problem. But such a judgement is unfair. Yet how can we judge otherwise if you don't afford us the opportunity to find out who you really are. What then is the problem? We understand you as a bunch of conservative cave dwellers who are holding back the institution. You understand us as a bunch of impetuous, flag-waving activists who want to burn down the school.

The answer lies in communication. I have been asked to present to you a petition which came out of a meeting Monday night asking you to open your meetings. But I feel that we, and I mean we the University, need more than that. I have written to President Elliott asking him to consider first a broad review and evaluation of the academic program at G. W.--more extensive than just the Finan Report. And secondly, a change in the structure of the University. We have had one meeting on that and another is scheduled. In addition, I would like to invite the Senate Executive Committee to sit down with the Council's Constitutional Revision Committee, hopefully next week, to discuss the possibilities of a University Senate.

My remarks will be interpreted in many ways: some of you will laugh them off and say "he had a lot of gall"; those students present will feel that I haven't gone far enough. But if nothing else, I hope you go away with this, and it comes from the Cox Commission: "The student body is a mature and essential part of the community of scholars." Will you treat us that way?

October 31, 1968

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. M. K. Heartfield  
Assistant Treasurer

This is to advise you that the following resolution concerning scholarships for foreign students was approved by the Board of Trustees on October 19, 1968:

The Board of Trustees Scholarships be made available to full-time undergraduate foreign students on the basis of the student's scholastic record and financial need. In order to be eligible to receive financial aid, foreign applicants for these scholarships must have completed at this University at least one semester of full-time work. The applicant must have a minimum of 3.00 overall QPI. These awards are to be inaugurated on a three-year trial period.

Gertrude Weitzel  
Secretary to the  
Board of Trustees

cc: Mrs. V. Kennedy ✓  
Miss Carol R. St. Cyr

A RESOLUTION TO EXTEND TO FOREIGN<sup>3</sup>  
STUDENTS ELIGIBILITY FOR BOARD OF  
TRUSTEES SCHOLARSHIPS 68/4

Be it Resolved by the Senate of the George Washington University that:

The Board of Trustees Scholarships be made available <sup>foreign</sup> to full-time undergraduate ~~international~~ students on the basis of the student's scholastic record and financial need. In order to be eligible to receive financial aid, ~~international~~ <sup>foreign</sup> applicants for these scholarships must have completed at this University ~~two~~ <sup>at least one</sup> semester of full-time work, with a minimum of a "B" average. These awards are to be inaugurated on a three-year trial period. Only foreign students classified with the following visas are eligible to ~~apply for these scholarships: Permanent; Visa "A" (Diplomatic); Visa "F" (Student); and Visa "K" (Refugee).~~ delete last sentence

Senate Committee on Scholarships  
October 11, 1968

*The applicant must have  
a minimum of a 3.00  
over-all G.P.I.*

Carol R. St. Cyr, Chairman  
H. G. Detwiler  
Raymond R. Fox  
Phillip Grub  
Frank N. Miller  
Elizabeth S. Neyman  
James R. Roman  
Louis G. Schwoerer  
William L. Turner  
Maurice K. Heartfield, ex officio  
Paul R. Sherburne, " "  
George W. G. Stoner, " "  
William G. Williams, " "

*Passed as amended  
See minutes 10/11/68  
Sent to Bd. of Trustees*